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Sharing Of River Waters: Only Through Cooperation

INTERNATIONAL water law is based on two principles, the absolute of territorial sovereignty and the absolute of territorial integrity. These two absolutes are often in direct conflict with each other, according to Dr. Dante Caponera, an expert on national and international water legislation and chief of the Legislation Branch of Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO).

He gave the example of one nations exercising its sovereignty by building a dam across an important river to increase irrigation of its land. The presence of the dam affects the water volume of the river as it flows downstream into a scond nation. As a result, the territorial integrity of the second nation has been impinged. Yet, since both territorial soveriency and territoral integrity are absolutes, how can such a conflict be resolved?

"Only through co-operation," said Dr. Caponera, who is temporarily assisting the Secretariat of the United Nations Water Conference, to be held in Mar del Plata Argentina next March. Co-operation is the only way to meet ever increasing demands on the earth's fundamental and finite resource—water. Co-operation should begin at the local level with coordinated planning of water uses and it should continue at national regional and international levels.

"Water knows no artificial, no man made boundaries,", Dr. Caponera said. "There's the Rio Grande, the Nile, the Mekong rivers which pass through different nations. An obstruction or modification in quanitity or quality of water in a particular part of a river basin in a certein State will affect the quantity or quality of water in another State. I feel it is essential to promote co-operation, joint planning of rivers and thus limited territorial

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Words To Remember

Addressing the centenary annual general meeting of the All India Anglo-Indian Association, the Prime Minister said the minorities needed special attention. Even though India was a country where tolerance had been an old tradition, "this was something that to be kept before ourselves and before the people all the time."

India was a tapestry where many colours existed side by side to make a beautiful pattern. "It is not a melting pot where the ingredients are compelled to lose their identities. Hence the basic harmony between so many racial groups, religions and languages. In our tradition, each has been able to retain its distinctive personality and make a contribution to the national life."

"Our aim is to build an India in which the old handicaps, prejudices and superstitions do not operate, where there is absolute quality for all based on the unshakable foundation of tolerance but respect for one another. We want the doors of opportunity to be open to all."

"We wsih to retain the country's colourful diversity to foster greater unity through Cooperation. But unity should not be confused with uniformity."

One of the major problems facing the country was the economic disparities b tween

castes and classes and between one region and another.

The redressal of regional imbalances was one of the principal objectives of the Government and "I am glad that considerable progress has been achieved in this regard."

No part of the country was now isolated—in the way it used to be, "Our education and recruitment policies have done much to mitigate the hardships and deprivation to which many castes and tribes were subjected. But we are conscious that we must do very much more before we claim that the old injustices have been fully corrected."

Some times the minority groups were worried about their educational institutions. The Government had always tried to solve their problems through understanding.

English had a place in India. It was the mother-tongue of Anglo Indians, but to all others also, "it is the most useful other tongue" which helps communication with and understanding of other countries, world events, trends and personalities.

The study of English was expanding all over the world because of its growing importance in education, science and commerce. "Even if we did not have the advantage of a base of English, I think we would have to take up English even at this stage. So it does not make sense that having an advantage, as we have had, we should now give it up. Those states which tried this experiment are very sorry for this now and trying to retrace their steps."

The entire country admired the zest, spirit of adventure and patriotism of the Anglo-Indian community.

All over the world small groups like Anglo-Indians and Parsis in India, and Jews in Europe and America and some others had played a notable part out of proportion to their numbers in their country's progress.

"Backward is a word which I should like to remove from our vocabulary in connection with social conditions."

Because of the assistance programmes for the backward classes many groups in the country were claiming they should be labelled back ward.

"Unfortunately even within such a group, these benefits often go to the strongest and the local individuals and sections. We are trying our best to help those who are in the greatest need rather then those who shout the loudest.

THUS SPAKE THE MAHATMA

I claim to be a humble servant of India and humanity, and would like to die in the discharge of such service. I have no desire to found a sect.

ASOKA SCENTED BETEL NUT POWDER

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

The amendments to the constitution are in the nature of renovation; "We are not building a new house", the Prime Minister has rightly stressed intervening in the marathon debate on the Constitution (44th) Amendment Bill in the Lok Sabha.

The constitution is a very important document. It is but an instrument to serve the people. It existed for the people. People should certainly respect it but they cannot be sacrificed for it, the Prime Minister has added.

She has further explained that there can be stability, responsibility and law only if the Legislature, the executive and the judiciary responded to the changing needs and aspirations of the people. This is what the present amending bill does. It is responsive to the aspirations of the people and reflects the realities of the present time and the future.

Can the Parliament change the constitution? The Prime Minister has cited Dr. Ambedkar, one of the chief architects of the constitution to say that the Constituent Assembly had been elected on a limited franchise whereas the parliament of India (under the constitution) was elected on a country-wide adult franchise and surely such a parliament could not be said to have lesser power.

It is common knowledge that mainly anti-social elements like smugglers and black-marketers s e e k i n g protection under the fundamental right clauses had prospered in this country protected by by "political merceneries".

The amendments are vital to put through various welfare schemes for the poor.

If the amended Constitution is found to be inadequate by any party which may come to power in the future with adequate majority in Parliament, it can also seek suitable amendments.

It is the duty of every political party in the country to support the amendments, which have been introduced after a long national debate.

Letter To The Editor:

"TIRUPATHI LADDUS"

The present price of Rs. 2-50 per Laddu charged by Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanams is too heavy and the poor who constitute the majority of the devotees are the sufferers. The Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanams should explore ways and means to enhance its income and to plug the loopholes where funds are going waste. Rs. 2-50 for a Laddu is not a big amount for the rich, whereas the poor connot afford to spend that much. The opportunity to have the sacred prasadam at reasonable price should not be denied to the poor devotees, even if it works out uneconomical to Tirumala Tirupathi Devasthanams.

H. H. Swami Kesavalahji, the Founder - President of Sri. Sai Baba Bhaktha Samajam, Sri. Shridi Sai Baba Mandir, Shenoy Nagar, Madras has been appealing to the T.T D. & Government repeatedly to reduce the price of Laddu to one rupee and keep the sacred prasadam in the reach of the common man. Sri Raja Sagi Suryanarayana Raju, Minister for Religious Endowments, Andhra Pradesh, also promised to look into the matter in a public meeting held at Kakinada vide "Hindu" dated 8-8-'76.

During my recent visit to Tirumala, I had to spend about five hours in the queue. The unlicensed vendors are jumping from one enclosure to the other selling eatables etc. making great noise. They walk on the feet of the pilgrims sitting in the queue without caring whether they are walking on the feet of ladies, old and infirm or the children. I should have encountered the same book sellers & Coffee vendor about hundred times before I finally reached the Sanctum Sanctorum.

The wild cries of those vendors would distract any devotee who wishes to contemplate on the glorious form of the Lord of the Seven Hills. I suggest to the T.T.D. to construct a few coffee & refreshment shops in some of the enclosures of the queue and auction them in favour of reputed caterers who bid the highest amount. In this way the T.T.D. can enhance the revenue and eliminate the unlicensed vendors and theirunhygenicware. The T. T. D. can as well arrange the sale of the sacred prasadam of the Lord in the enclosures at subsidised rates and thusserve the devotees.

There are certain practices which should be curbed in the Temple. After waiting for several hours in the queue one goes into the inner temple to have the close view of the blissful form of the Lord. We encounter certain temple volunteers who do not appear to grasp the sanctity of the inner temple. They push the women and men alike with loud cries. The volunteers are there for proper maintenance and orderliness of the queue. But their deafening cries distract the concentration of the Lord at least for a split second, People who can handle the queue with courtesey and firmness, without spoiling the holy atmosphere of the sanctum sanctorum should be posted as volunteers.

I earnestly appeal to the members of the T.T,D. board, Ministers and other VIPs to proceed in the queue incognito to experience and to know the truth for themselves.

CH. V. SESHAIAH,
Gudur, Nellore Dt. A. P.

Snakes To Protect Field

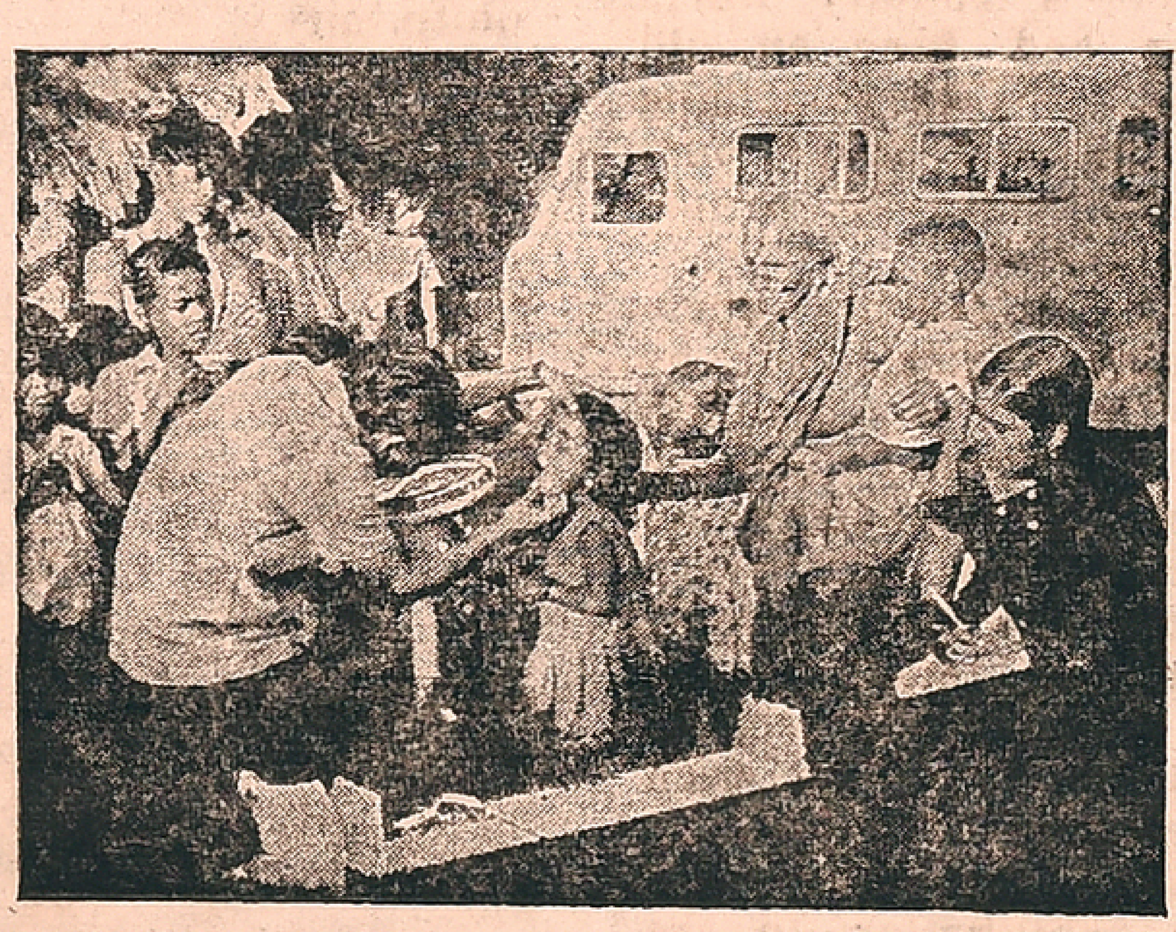
Moscow: A Transport Aircraft has delivered an unusual cargo to the collective farms in the south of the Tajik SSR. In the crates on which was inscribed "Attention–Danger" were snakes The snakes were required to protect the cotton fields pests.

Snakes had for years been destroyed in Tajikistan. This resulted in the disturbance of a balance in nature which they had helped to maintain by destroying small rodents and locust. plantations. The problem has become so acute that the Council of Ministers of Tajikistan passed a resolution about the protection and rational uses of snakes.

Special snake preserves have now been organised in the Republic. Scientists have compiled maps of snake settlement and migration, and carry on yearly counts of snakes.

What is the use of this knowledge? The main benefit is perhaps that they help biologists to watch the progress of fauna changes in Tajikistan, and to actively protect its rare species from annihilation.

Better Medical Facilities



Medical facilities have been extended to most of the rural areas in India. About 5,300 primary health centres were functioning in rural areas in December 1974 whereas none existed before 1951. The death rate has come down to 14.9 per thousand from 27.4 per thousand two decades ago. Life expectancy has also increased.

Doctors with mobile hospitals establish camps in the rural areas where medical facilities are not available. These provide medical aid and guidance on preventive aspects of various diseases in the villagers. The photo shows a mobile hospital at work in a village.

Ceramics Art: Its Promises And Performances

By A CORRESPONDENT

Ceramics art is no longer confined to the art studios of a few inquisitive artists in modern cities like New Delhi and Bombay. Thanks to the innovative endeavour of Madras College of Arts and Crafts and the initiatives of Tamil Nadu Government, Ceramics has acquired new dimensions not only as industrial product but as ceramic artware of beauty and utility. With fast expansion in education and urge in men and women to embellish their living places, the arts and crafts in traditional forms, imbibing the modern pattern and decorative suppleness have come handy.

Ceramic artware is produced on a large scale in Tamil Nadu and the Ceramic Art Pottery Centres at Virudhachalam and Perambur have made a break-through in producing ceramic art wares in multi-designs and multi-colours. The Ceramics Exhibits held recently by Tamil-Nadu Ceramics Ltd., at Calcutta Bombay and Bangalore have received recognition and appreciation from house wives and art lovers as well: because the artwares blend beauty and utility. Besides being ornamental and show pieces in sophisticated families they serve as utensils of daily use.

A TOUCH OF REALISM

The Ceramic technology is basically indigeneous in form and fabrication, and improved on pottery craft of Indian Kumbhars and village potters, with new engineering skill, adopting the modern kiln and temperature variation system. The art pottery is essentially a combination of ceramic techniques and talents of creative artists. Artist is a major creator in ceramic artware because the clay in his hand first receives a form shape and colour —single or varied in details—is given to enhance the elegance and grace of the ware. Glazing also occupies a vital place in making the object a pleasing product. Artist is not in a dreamland. His conception has a touch of realism and it is more so in the case of ceramics art which has now assumed the dimensions of common consumers ware for everyday use and delectable decoration of hearth.

ENCOURAGING TREND

Over one thousand designs in varied hue, size and composition and glaze, have been evolved in the recent past by the artists who use ceramic medium with ease and enthusiasm. They have never failed to walk on the corns of the other traditional South Indian temple artists in emulating the pattern and figures for designing new pieces which not only please the fashion-crazy modern house wives but also add to the household ware in daily need.

Some of the ceramic artwares exhibited at the recent exhibition in Madras.

The metal-made-like traditional lamp (Kuthuvilakku) the dancing Ganesh and incons of Parvathi and other village deities particularly the rustic horse of village-God Veerabadra are marvellous pieces in ceramics. They are among 220 ceramic utility and artistic wares which were on show recently at Rajaji Hall, Madras, for ten days. The designs of these items have been evolved over the years on the basis of the study of the performance and the demand of art lovers and general consumers.

The drawing room sets and the window panel decorative pieces and plagues, priced reasonably were, in great demand. Table decorations, vases in unconventional designs, most of them evolved recently at Virudhachalam and Perambur Art Pottery Centres of Tamil Nadu Ceramics Ltd., drew a stream of discernible buyers. The encouraging feature of sales this time is that the buyers were largely from middle class. They prefer ceramic tea sets, bowls for flower, fruits and pickles and the articles of folk art which adore their homes while fulfilling their taste for colourful designs and artistic temperaments.

Tamil Nadu Ceramics Ltd., set up in 1974 as a public sector unit has made new strides of progress in design, production and marketing. Total production for all TACEL Units was Rs, 6 35 lakhs. Art pottery and crockery are popular among the foreign buyers. All colours and designs are developed by the artists and technical experts of TACEL. The Ceramics art has stolen a march over other competetive art wares.

Indian Temple Renovation Committee

An appeal from Tridandi Srimannarayana Ramanuja Jeear Swamy, Sponsor and Correspondent, of the Indian Temple Renovation Committee:

By the command of Lord, we have started "Indian Temple Renovation Committee" for the Service of God by the renovation of all temples all over India in five stages, by the collections of atleast Rs. 10 crores from the public. The Temples are the real pillars and protected Forts of Hinduism. And it is well known that the main cause for Peace and Prosperity, Wealth, Health and Welfare of the country. Temples are the main centres for all kinds of arts and cultures. From the employment point of view also, many crores of people depend on temples for their livelihood.

Our Ancesters, Rajas, Maha Rishis, Forefathers and Fathers have sacrificed their lives for the construction and maintanance of these temples. So it is the bounden duty of every Hindu, atleast to have them run in a good condition and get the blessings from the Lord and from the Ancestors.

Shri S. K. Somani, Shri Basudev Somani, Shri Ramdayal Somani, and Shri S. G. Somani of Somani Family Trust, Bombay, Shri G. P. Birla of Culcutta, Shri T. S. Rajam of T. V. S Charities, Madurai and Shri L. N. Dalmia of Punalur, who are the Governing Body Members of this Committee are extending their full co-operation.

Tirumalai-Tirupati Devasthanam has promised to donate atleast Rs. 5,000 for each of the 108 Dhivya Dhesa Temples.

O Priya Bhakthaas! Please contribute your Mite for the above sacred cause and get the Blessings from the Lord Srinivasa Bhagavan.

The quantum of donations is so framed to facilitate the poorest and the richest. The donors are requested to contribute for each month:

Re. 1, or 2 or 3 or 10 or 25 or 50 or Rs. 100/- or above till the scheme is completed successfully or atleast for the first stage of 5 years or at their convenience, by M. Os or Bank cheques or Drafts.

We request all the Bhakthaas to try to contribute atleast a month's salary or income of their own, in 60 instalments.

We will try to arrange for exemption from Incometax for big amounts. We trust Bhakthaas will avail this opportunity.

With Mangalaasaasanams.

Tridandi Srimannarayana Ramanuja Jeear.

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FUN AND LAUGHTER

DESCRIPTION

For the first time in his life he had been asked to make an after-dinner speech, and for days he rehearsed before his wife.

Finally the great day arrived, and on his return home his wife inquired how his speech had been received.

"Evidently I was moving, soothing and satisfying," was the reply. "Moving, because after the first few minutes my audience went out; soothing, because the other half then went to sleep; and satisfying because, went I sat down, the man opposite me woke up and said 'Well, we've had enough of that old fool! "

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WORRY

The young man who answered the classified advertisement "Opportunity of a Lifetime," found himself in the presence of a nervous individual.

"What I am looking for is somebody to do all my worrying" he explained. "Your job will be to shoulder all my cares."

"That's some job, how much do I get?" asked the applicant.

"You get £20,000 to make every worry of mine your own" replied the overwrought individual.

"Where is the £20,000 coming from?"

"Ah, that's your first worry!"

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IN SAME COIN

"Gimme a dime for a cup of coffee?" asked the hobo of the plainclothes man.

"Do you ever work?" said the plain-clothes man.

"Now and then."

"What do you do?"

"This and that."

"Where?"

"Oh, here and there."

The plainclothes man took him to the police station.

"When do I get out of here?" wailed the hobo.

"Sooner or later," growled the desk sergent.

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SHOCKING

A guide, showing an old lady through the Zoo, took her to a cage occupied by a kangaroo.

"Here, madam," he said, "we have a native of Australia."

"Good gracious," she replied, "and to think my sister married one of them."

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STICKLER FOR RULES

In one of the towns of the Pacific coast a distinct earthquake shock was felt, and when the municipal building rocked perceptibly the city fathers left without bothering about formalities.

The clerk, a man of rules and regulations, was hard put to it to give his minutes the proper official tone. Finally he evolved this masterpiece:

"On motion of the city hall, the council adjourned."

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DEAD & GONE

John was rather careless with the dynamite in the quarry and let a stick drop. The whole box went up, taking John with it.

A short time later the foreman came by and asked "Where's John?"

"He's gone," answered a fellow-worker.

"When'll he be back?" queried the foreman.

"Well, sir," responded the other, "if he comes back as fast as he left, he'll be back day before yesterday."

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WRONG GUY

A fool, a barber and an elderly baldheaded man were travelling together. Losing their way they were forced to sleep in the open air; and, to avert danger, it was agreed to watch by turns.

The first guard fell to the barber, who for amusement, shaved the fool's head while he was sleeping. He then woke him, and the fool, raising his hand to scratch his head, exclaimed: "Here's a pretty mistake; you have awakend the old baldheaded man instead of me."

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

The Professor was trying to illustrate the different degrees of punishment. "Now, if I were whipped," he questioned, "what would that be?" About half the class responded in unison, "That would be corporal punishment." "And if I were beheaded?" continued the professor. This time the entire class joined in an enthusiastic roar, "Oh, that would be capital."

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IF LIVING!

A census clerk, in scanning over the form to see if it had been properly filled up, noticed the figures 120 and 112 under the headings. "Age of Mother, if living."

"But your parents were never so old, were they?" asked the astonished clerk.

"No," was the reply, "but they would have been, if living."

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DEFINITION

"What is a hug?"

"Just energy gone to waist."

MODERN CHILD

It was the hour for the lesson in elementary science and teacher was lecturing her small pupil-on gravity.

"So you see, children," she concluded, "it is the law of gravity that keeps us all on the earth."

"But teacher'" inquired one puzzled child, "how did we manage to stick on before the law was passed?"

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EXPERIMENT

The electrician was puzzled.

"Hey," he called to his assistant, "put your hand on one of these wires." The assistant did as he was told.

"Feel anything?"

"No."

"Good," said electrician. "I wasn't sure which was which. Don't touch the other or you'll drop dead."

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THAT'S ART!

Whistler once undertook to get a fellow artist's work into the autumn salon. He succeeded, and the picture was hung. But the painter, going to see his masterpiece with Whistler on varnishing day, uttered an exclamation of dismay:

"Good Heavens!" he cried, "you're exhibiting my picture upside down."

"Hush!" said Whistler. "The committee refused it the other way."

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WRONG MAN!

A politician, who certainly had never amassed his small fortune through his public official's salary, had a full length portrait of himself painted and hung in the most conspicuous spot in his flat. All his friends who came to admire it remarked how striking the resemblance was.

But one independent wag exclaimed: "Not like him at all. No, sir. Why, can't you all see that he's got his hands in his own pockets?"

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A COLUMNIST

The British writer and humorist, Sir Alan Herbert, was once speaking at a dinner in London. He mentioned the well-known cleric, W.R. Inge, then, Dean of St. Paul's, who among his many other activities is a great contributor to the contemporary Press.

"He is usually described as a pillar of the Church," remarked Sir Alan. "Really, he is two columns of an evening newspaper."

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BITTER

"So you suffer from indigestion?" asked the helpful friend. "Well, what could be better than drinking a pint of warm water after every meal?"

"Indigestion!"

HER REPLY

The professor at a girl's college wrote on the blackboards, "LXXX." Then, peering over his spectacle at a good-looking girl in the first row, he asked:

"Young lady, I'd like you to tell me what that means."

"Love and kisses," the girl replied.

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EASIER WAY

The lorry took a corner too sharply and crashed into the kitchen of a cottage. I'm sorry, said the driver, popping his head out, "but I really wanted the coast road."

"That's easy," said the housewife, carrying on with her cooking. "Just go straight on into the living-room and turn right by the sideboard."

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NO DEDUCTION

Sherlock Holmes: "Ah, Watson, I see you have on your winter underwear."

Watson: "Marvellous, Holmes, marvellods! How did you ever deduce that?"

Holmes: "Well, you have merely forgotten to put on your trousers."

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BETTER ONE

The faith-healer was waxing eloquent to his latest patient.

"Pretend you haven't got toothache. Persuade yourself it's just imagination. Say, "Get thee behind me.' "

"Yes," said the patient, and have it turn into lumbago. "Not likely! I'd rather have toothache."

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WEBB'S ANCESTORS

During the history lesson the teacher told the class that a surname often pointed out the ancestors of those who bore the name. He gave the simple examples of Smith, Taylor and Baker. Then he questioned one of the boys: "And what were your ancestors, Webb?"

"Spiders, Sir!"

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INSULT

District Councillor: "This public meeting has been called to support the new movement for preserving our rural beauties—."

Village Spinster (going out indignantly): "I think it's an insult to suggest that we need preserving!"

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NOT POSSIBLE

A woman entered a post office after 8 p.m. and wanted to send a telegram. The clerk told her that the delivery office was closed and that it could not be delivered. The woman, indignant, said it ought to be delivered as the post office was quite near.

"How near?" asked the clerk.

"About five miles as the crow flies," the woman replied.

To which the clerk retorted. "I'm sorry, madam, but we do not deliver by crow after 8 p.m."

For The Week 31st October To 6th November 1976

MESHA (ARIES)
Aswini Bharani
Krittika 1/4

FAVOURABLE period for finalising partnership matters. You should try to develop new business contacts. But legal matters should be handled properly to avoid complications. Financial position will show signs of improvement. You can expect co-operation from family members. Property matters could be finalised. Favourable days 1st & 2nd.

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VRISHABA (TAURUS)
Krittika 3/4 Rohini
Mrigashirsha 1/2

MILDLY favourable period. You can expect favourable conditions to improve your business prospects. But avoid friction with associates. You should also take pre-cautions, while travelling. Property matters should be handled properly to avoid legal complications. Family matters requires attention. Health will improve. Favourable days 3rd & 4th.

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MITHUNA (GEMINI)
Mrigashirsha 1/2 Arudra
Punarvasu 3/4

YOU are entering into a favourable period. Speculutive gains are indicated. Matters relating to children should be finalised as early as possible. Financial position will show signs of improvement. Family matters should be handled properly to avoid further complications. You may be undertaking a journey shortly. Business prospects will improve and you should try to make best use of the opportunities. Favourable days 5th & 6th.

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KATAKA (CANCER)
Punarvasu 1/4 Pushya
Ashlesha

MIXED results are indicated. Property matters could be finalised favourably. You should also try to improve your business prospects. Financial position will improve. You can expect cooperation from family members You may be undertaking a journey shortly. Change of place is also indicated. You should be diplomatic in dealing with your superiors. Be prepared for unexpected developments on 1st & 2nd.

SIMHA (LEO)
Maka Purva Palguni
Uttara Palguni 1/4

MILDLY favourable period. But you should wait for some more time to implement your plans. Avoid legal complications. And also avoid friction with associates. Property matters should be handled properly. Financial position will improve. You will be undertaking short journeys frequently. Health will show signs of improvement. You should be cautious in dealing with foreigners. You should also take extra precaution, if planning to visit foreign countries. Avoid impulsive actions on 3rd & 4th.

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KANYA (VIRGO)
Uttara Palguni 3/4 Hastha
Chitra 1/2

FAVOURABLE period to implement your plans. Financial position will improve. You can expect cooperation from family members. Matters relating to family property should be settled. Speculative gains are also indicated in this sphere. You should also try to develop new business connections. Favourable period to visit foreign countries. Health will improve. You should be cautious while travelling. You should be prepared for unexpected developments on 5th & 6th.

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THULA (LIBRA)
Chitra 1/2 Swathi
Visakha 3/4

FAVOURABLE period will continue for another week. Financial position will improve. Family matters could be finalised. You should make best use of this opportunity to settle long standing problems. You should also try to expand your business activities. You will be undertaking a journey shortly. Partnership matters could be finalised. But try to get legal clarifications from experts, before entering into Partnership deals. Favourable days 3rd & 4th.

VRISCHIKA (SCORPIO)
Visakha 1/4 Anuradha
Jyeshtha

FAVOURABLE period. Matters relating to family could be finalised. Property matters could be settled favourably. Financial position will improve. Speculative gains are also indicated. You should try to implement your plans regarding expansion of business activity. Partnership matters could be finalised. Health will improve. Favourable days 5th & 6th.

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DHANUS (SAGITTARIUS)
Mula Purva Ashadha
Uttara Ashadha 1/4

MIXED results are indicated. You should wait for some more time to implement your programme. Health requires attention. Family members will be cooperative. Financial position will improve and speculative gains are also indicated. Matters relating to children could be settled favourably. Avoid friction with associates. You will be undertaking a journey shortly. Favourable days 1st & 2nd.

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MAKARA (CAPRICORNUS)
Uttara Ashadha 3/4
Shravana Dhanistha 1/2

FAVOURABLE period will continue for another couple of months. You should try to make best use of this opportunity to settle long standing problems. You should also try to expand your business activities. But partnership matters should be handled properly to avoid complications. Matters related to children could be settled favourably. Financial position will improve. Speculative gains are also indicated. Favourable days 3rd & 4th.

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KUMBHA (AQUARIUS)
Dhanistha 1/2 Sathabhishag
Purva Badrapada 3/4

MIXED results are indicated. You should wait for some more time to implement your programme. Avoid legal complications. And also avoid friction with associates. If you are planning to start new venture, you should wait for another week. But start making preparation and try to establish new business contacts. Favourable days 5th & 6th.

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MEENA (PISCES)
Purva Badrapada 1/4
Uttara Badrapada Revati

MIXED results are indicated. You should wait for some more time to implement your plans. Avoid legal complications. And also avoid friction with associates. You can expect cooperation from family members. Matters relating to children should be handled properly. Financial position will improve. But avoid speculative investments. Favourable day 31st.

GLOSSARY

Arudra	—திருவாதிரை
Pushya	—பூசம்
Ashlesha	—ஆயில்யம்
Purva Phalguni	—பூரம்
Uttara Phalguni	—உத்திரம்
Anuradha	—அனுஷம்
Jyeshtha	—கேட்டை
Purva Ashada	—பூராடம்
Uttara Ashada	—உத்திராடம்
Shravana	—திருவோணம்
Dhanistha	—அவிட்டம்
Satha Bhishag	—சதயம்
Purva Bhadrapada	—பூரட்டாதி
Uttara Bhadrapada	—உத்திரட்டாதி

The Mystery

Several works of art, including sculptures, and nine cases of whisky were stolen a while back from a Glasgow (Scotland) warehouse. The detectives just cannot decide whether they are looking for whisky thieves who struck it rich or art thieves who decided to take a few cases of whisky too. And while the detectives are deciding it, the stolen things may lengthen the already long list of missing museum pieces.

Too Hard

School officials in Pinellas County (Florida, U. S. A.) recently gave standardized exams to applicants for teaching posts and found that some scored lower in mathematics and reading than the school system's eighth-graders.

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Muscovite's Diary

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CONFERENCE OF AFRO-ASIAN YOUNG WRITERS

A conference of young writers from African and Asian countries was held in Tashkent, capital of Soviet Uzbekistan. 57 representatives from these countries and 19 observers from socialist and capitalist countries of Europe and America participated in the conference.

Indian poet Suhas Mukhopadhyay, Deputy General Secretary of the permanent bureau of the Association of Afro-Asian Writers and Chairman of the Indian Committee of Afro-Asian Writers, in his address to the conference said, "to live and grow through understanding among people in an atmosphere of peace—that is the order of the day. That is the only road before humanity."

"We writers", he added, "are vitally interested in peace in the world without which the future of human culture becomes absolutely unsafe and insecure. Epics were written in the past in the background of war. But let us resolve that we will remake the world in such a way that epics will be written in the atmosphere of peace. It will be the greatest achievement of man in the field of literature.

Speaking at the plenary meeting, Soviet poet and leader of the Soviet delegation Mr. R. Rozhdestvensky said that the works of progressive Asian and African writers enjoyed great popularity in the Soviet Union. In the past few years alone more than 1000 works by Afro-Asian writers had been translated in 70 languages of USSR, he noted. He called upon the young writers to devote their energy and talent to the most important problem of the present day—the struggle for peace without which the development of national or any other culture is impossible.

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WHO RUNS THE FACTORY?

Who runs Soviet factories?

In Bor, a town near Gorky, on the River Volga, is a glass works.

And that glass works undertook to produce particularly high-quality quartz-glass bars for furnaces, and then found it had bitten off more than it could chew.

The technology was complicated, the production cost far too high, and the management were all set to say it was beyond them.

Then the Standing Committee intervened.

This is an elected body, three quarters of whose members are skilled workers. Every factory with over a hundred workers has one.

The committee overruled the management and told them they must keep on trying.

Now, at first sight this looks altruistic; because the amount an enterprise is allowed to spend on "social purposes"—housing, sport and so on—depends on the size of its profits.

And so do the bonuses the workers get for successful completion of a contract.

But the committee knew what they were about.

On their suggestion, a team of skilled workers was dispatched to Gus Khrustalny, a town famous for its glass for centuries, to find out how they produced similar bars much more cheaply.

There are no "trade secrets" in the USSR, and the Gus Khrustalny people were glad to pass on their know-how.

And when the team returned home, they added some refinements of their own, which eventually enabled the works to produce the bars even more cheaply than Gus Khrustalny.

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NEVER TOO LATE TO LEARN

You can imagine the reaction of an examining professor if a student, told that one of his answers to a history question was wrong, replied, "Oh no, it isn't, I remember perfectly well..."

But when Sergei Albitsky said precisely that during a history viva at Moscow University, the professor took it like a lamb.

Because although the event took place 50 years ago, Albitsky was born in 1882.

He has, at the age of 94, enrolled as a correspondence student of journalism, and hopes later on, to write a novel.

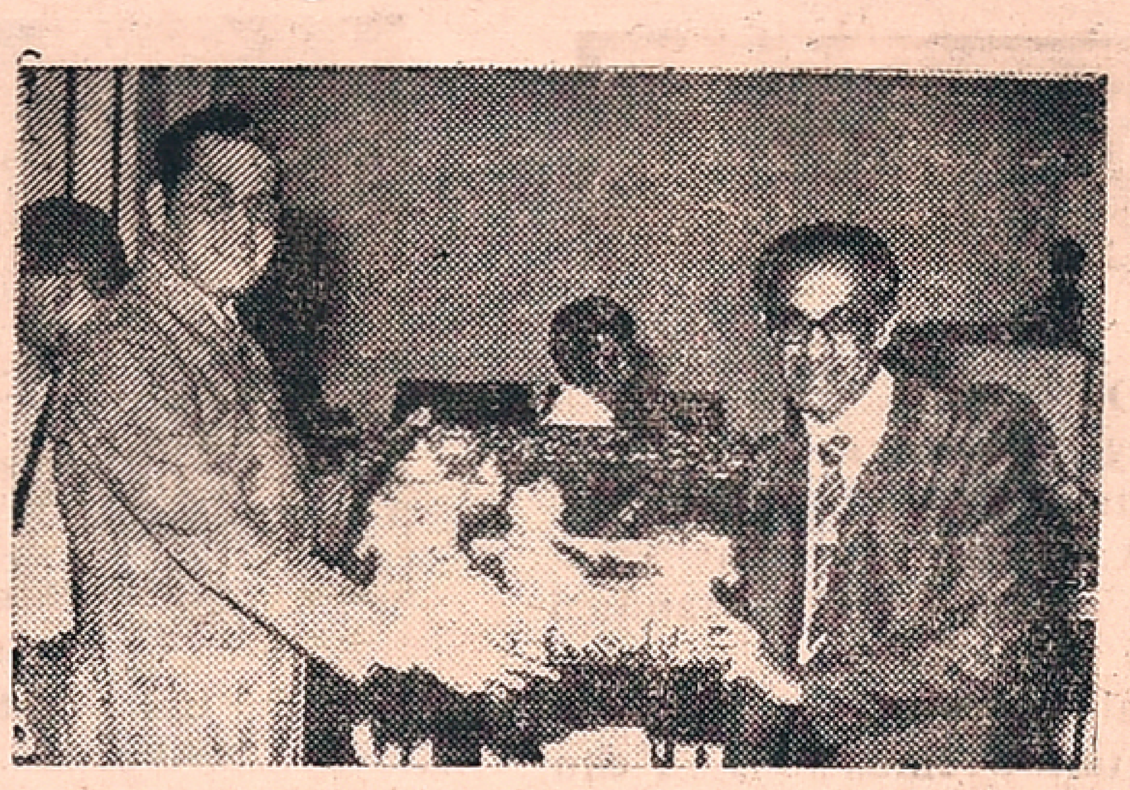
He tells you proudly that he recently finished secondary school, and taught himself English, French and German.

"I chose German for a language in the university entrance exam, because I know that best."

When he first sent in his name for the entrance exam, the authorities first thought it was a practical joke. They know better now.

And he is getting on splendidly with the other students, who might well be his great grandchildren.

Photographers Honoured



Lion A. A. V. Sankar, a renowned press photographer of a standing of nearly two decades, is interested in cultural activities and social service. He is the Secretary of Tamilnadu Cultural Academy (a cultural organisation interested in the preservation and development of the Indian Arts and Culture) and a Lion.

Picture shows Lion E. S. Raja (Zone Chairman, Zone III, Region II, District 324 A) presenting an "Award" to Lion A. A. V. Sankar as a token of appreciation by the Club of his excellent services as Co-Extension Chairman at a recent meeting held at Hotel Connemera, Madras.

—Photo: A. Arumugam.

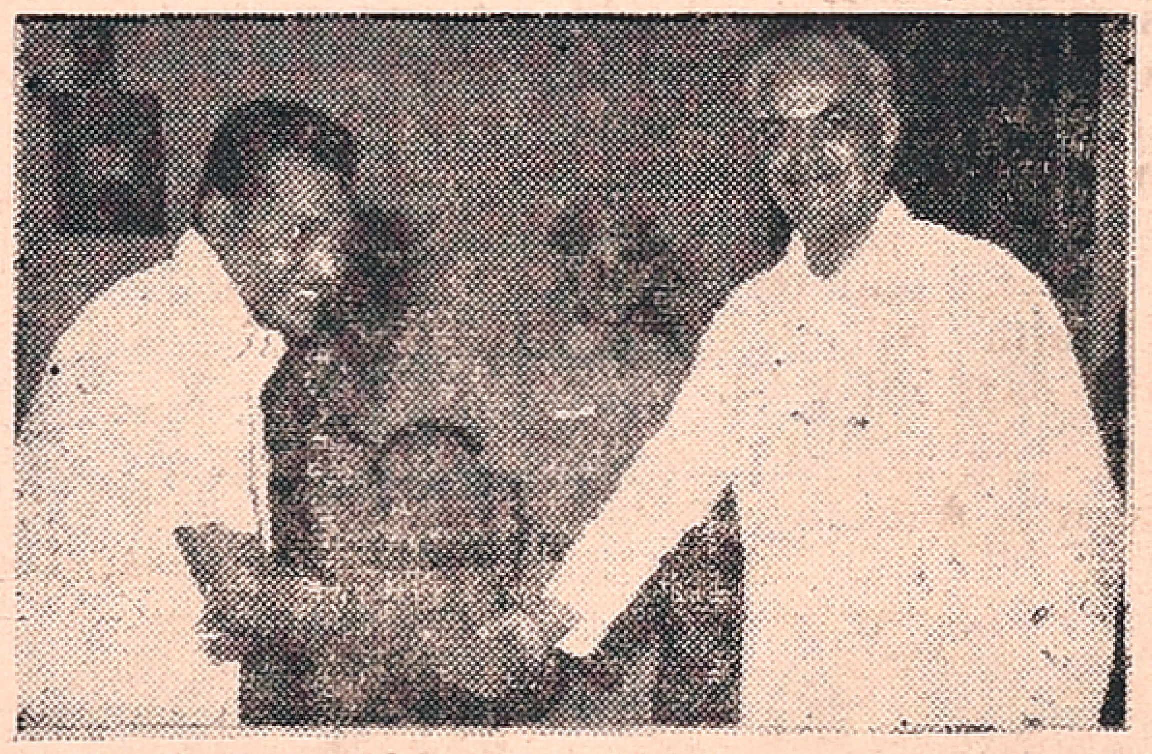


Photo reportor A. Arumugam, an agile and devoted news photographer, seen with Shri Mohanlal Sukhadia, Governor of Tamil Nadu, who congratulated Mr. Arumugam for excellent coverage of important events at Raj Bhavan, Guindy, Madras. —Photo By: A. A. V. Sankar

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Safety Shut-Off Valve

Heat-activated shut-valves are finding widespread application throughout U. S. industries where the hazard of a liquid fuel fed fire exists. Available in a large range of pressure ratings, the valves are designed for use in pipes ranging from one-eighth of an inch to eight inches (.32 to 20.3 centimeters) in diameter.

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Sharing of River Waters

sovereignty over shared water resourses."

"There are a number of examples of successful international river basins commission" he said citing the commissions on the Rhine, the Mekong and the Senegal. "The development of joint plans for the equitable utilization of water resources is crucial. Such plans require the acceptance of the idea that a State is not entitled to do as it wishes with water located in its territory, if its action might cause damage to the water located in a neighbouring State. Complete absolute territorial sovereignty in water matter is like the law of the jungle", he said.

Dr. Caponera has helped formulate national and international water legislation for more than 20 years in almost 50 countries. Its field has been small...but as the demand for water increases and its supply remains the same water legislation is gaining prominence. In a background paper for the Conference, Dr. Caponera outlined the preparation of a Nations Water Resources Law Inventory. Legislation is required to regulate the beneficial use of water e. g. such as domestic, agricultural, fishing, hydropower, industrial and recreational, as just it is needed to control its harmful effects such as floods, erosion, sewage and salinization. Special mention is given to water resources institutions and administration resource development agencies and finances. Other areas of water legislation include water use, quality and pollution control groundwater resource use, protection of waterworks, declaration of projected areas and water law implementation.

As soon as Governments realized that water was not limitless, they sought to make laws to govern its use, Dr. Caponera said. As the demand for water increased, because of population growth, industrialization and rising standard of living, conflicts appeared between users and between different uses of the available water. For example in one community there might be a conflict between farming and industry, with both sides seeking to monopolise existing water resources. Stringent regulation is needed to ensure the best possible use is made of the limited and fixed supply of water. It is no accident that water law is more developed in countries where water is scarce.

Earth Suffer A Million Shocks A Year

Munich DaD : What with earthquakes in China and the Philippines and the volcanic activity of La Soufriere on the French Caribbean island of Guadeloupe, many people have been wondering whether we are in for a spate of volcanic activity all over the world. Seismologists are reluctant to hazard a guess as to what the future holds in store, but they certainly keep exhaustive records.

Professor Gustav Angenheister a noted geologist at Munich University, Federal Republic of Germany, sympathises with the victims of recent quakes but is adamant that there is no reason for unusual anxiety. "Current volcanic activity is nothing out of the ordinary, "he says. "On average 2739 seismic shocks are registered per day. The annual worldwide total of quakes is roughly one million." He insists that volcanic activity this year has been no more frequent than in recent decades.

There have been years when at least as many quakes and quakelets have been registered as in 1976, including Force Eight tremors on the seismic scale. On Guadeloupe there was no loss of life this time, since the endangered area was evacuated well in advance. Nowadays volcanoes give ample early warning of imminent eruption, and a battery of measuring devices in the vicinity of La Soufriere sounded the alarm.

Eruptions can be forecast accurately in advance but seismologists still have difficulty in predicting how the volcano will let of steam, ash and lava. More than 50 000 people are estimated to have died so far this century as a result of volcanic activity. The worst disaster occurred on Martinique—on Guadeloupe's doorstep-in 1902 when Mont Pelee erupted and some 32,000 islanders died. —Erwin Gronert

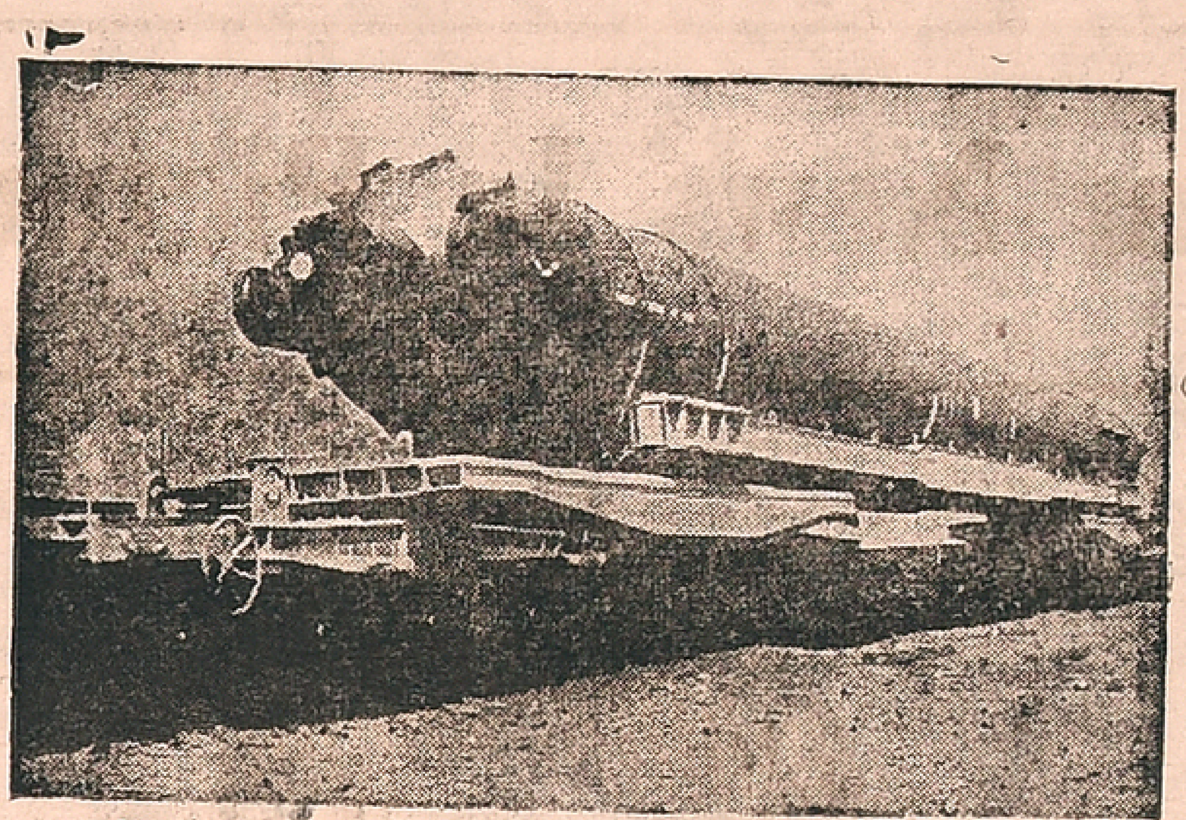
WHAT HE NEEDS

The new vicar had preached his first sermon, and a critical member of the church, an exceedingly fat man, waylaid him after the service.

"Not a bad beginning, sir," he said, patronizingly, "a bit scientific and modern. perhaps. but quite fair. Remember, parson, you must feed the sheep, feed the sheep."

The vicar surveyed his bulky critic and replied, "My dear man, its exercise you need, not food."

Another Big Job By Railways



The Railways recently accomplished a challenging task. The Research, Designs and Standard Organisation, designed a special wagon to carry the 330 tonne Urea Reactor from Kandla Port to Bhatinda in Punjab, for the Fertiliser Plant being setup there. The Reactor is 32.36 metres long and 2.4 metres in diameter. The wagon carrying the Urea Reactor covered the 1700, kilometres distance from Kandla Port to Bhatinda in a record time of 15 days. The photo shows the specially designed wagon carrying 330 tonne urea reactor.

Milton Friedman :

'True Liberal' Economist

Milton Friedman, winner of the 1976 Nobel Prize in Economics, is one of the best-known economists in the United States. A professor at the University of Chicago since 1946, Dr. Friedman calls himself a "true liberal" although he has advised such political conservatives as Richard Nixon, Barry Goldwater and Ronald Reagan.

Dr. Friedman believes that interest rates within countries and the value of world currencies internationally should be free to seek their own levels. On the international monetary scene, he has seen his view become a reality as major trading nations have permitted their currencies to "float."

In a June 3 Voice of America interview, he said the United States should have completely free trade with all other nations. Dr. Friedman said the progenitor of his views was Adam Smith, the Scotsman who wrote *The Wealth of Nations* 200 years ago.

Dr. Friedman was born in Brooklyn, New York, 64 years ago of poor parents. He graduated from Rutgers University, earned a master's degree at the University of Chicago, and gained his Ph. D. at Columbia University.

His first job was an economist with the National Resources Commission in Washington and he later served as an economist in the U. S. Treasury Department.

He has been an economics professor at Columbia, the University of Wisconsin and the University of Minnesota. He was a Fulbright lecturer at Cambridge University in England. Dr. Friedman has served as president of the American Economic Association.

Since 1946 he has been a prolific writer of books and articles, and since 1966 he has contributed regular articles to Newsweek magazine.

One of his recognized masterpieces is *Monetary History of the United States-1867–1960*, written in collaboration with Anna Jacobson Schwartz. Other books to his credit include *A Theoretical Framework of Monetary Analysis*, written with Wilbur Cohen *Social Security*, and *An Economist's Protest*.

His citation from the Nobel Committee reads: "For his achievements in the fields of consumption analysis, monetary history and theory and for his demonstration of the complexity of stabilization policy."

With his award, Americans have now won or shared in six of the eight Nobel economics prizes.

Heart attack Prone

Munich DaD)—A survey of cardiac patients at Hohenried Clinic, Bavaria, reveals that porters, guards and drivers are particularly prone to suffer from heart attacks. Drivers are an obvious case. Heavy traffic is a strain. So is the lack of exercise and the habit of snatching meals in cafes. Porters and guards are frequently in a poor state of health anyway, which is why they are transferred to what they may welfeel to be a dead-end job. Besides, they often have to double up as telephonists and pass the time doing other routine work—and doing several jobs at once is one of the surest ways of heading for heart trouble.

Film News In Pictures

Newface Sangeetha as she appears in a scene in Yoga Chitra's "Ilaya Thalaimurai". Produced by G. K. Dharmaraj, it is directed by Krishnan-Panju.

Santhini and Jaisankar in "Andru Chinthiya Raththam" produced by Geetha Chitra.

Lions' Award For Sujatha

Lions Club of Nandambakkam, Madras, is conducting the Film Awards project every year. On the occasion they present awards to the Bests, viz. Best Actor, Best Actress etc.

Photo shows Miss Sujatha, selected as best cine actress for 1975 at a function held recently at Music Academy under the Chairmanship of Lion District Governor Lion D. V. Narasimhan.

— Photo by Lion A.A.V. Sankar

Bangaru Bommalu

"Bangaru Bommalu" is the title of the latest venture of Jagapathi Art Pictures. Producer V.B. Rajendra Prasad himself is providing the story besides directing the film.

A. Nageswara Rao, K. Jaggiah, Satyanarayana Rao, Gopal Rao, Manjula, Anjali Devi, Suryakantham and Chaya Devi are doing important roles.

Acharya Atreya writes the dialogue and the songs while K.V. Mahadevan looks after Music. S. Venkataratnam handles the Camera.

Majority of the sequences for the picture will be shot outdoor on an island on the river Krishna, near Krishna Bridge, at Vijayawada. Manikonda village and the nearby Kamigunta hillock will be utilised for other outdoor shots.

The film, which has a romantic and sentimental theme, will have seven songs. According to the producers they are giving much importance to the story and music.

The shooting of the picture commences on November 16 with Muhurat at the Annapurna Studios, Hyderabad.

Annapura Films, who have offices at Vijawada, Hyderabad, Guntakal and Tirupathi, are the sole distributors of the film, which is expected to be completed by the middle of February 1977.

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Javeed Ghatala [As the eloping lover Vijay] seen in characteristic action in the Hindi-Urdu drama "DEEBA" which was staged at Kalaivanar-Arangam. He is accusing Abu Sooraj who acted as the film director Dayaram. Seen in the back ground is comedian Zaheer-Aafaaq who acted as Rangeen.

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